

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<p>Applicant(s): Zorina S. GALIS et al.</p> <p>Serial No.: 10/553,642</p> <p>Filed: October 14, 2005</p> <p>Title: COMBINATORIAL SURFACE CHIP COMPOSITIONS FOR SELECTION, DIFFERENTIATION AND PROPAGATION OF CELLS</p> <p>Group Art Unit: 1626</p> <p>Examiner: Joseph R. Kosack</p> <p>Confirmation No. 1458</p> <p>Attorney Docket No.: 92209/8906</p>	<p>Certificate of Transmission/Mailing</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, transmitted via the Office electronic filing system, or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below:</p> <p><u>January 29, 2009</u>      <u>/James J. Schumann/</u> Date                      James J. Schumann Registration No. 20,856 Attorney for Applicant(s)</p>
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 29, 2008, wherein the shortened three-month period for response is being contemporaneously extended to January 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.